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ELECTRONIC COMMERCE IN AREA RUGS
Group Art Unit : 3765
Examiner : Peter Nerbun
Hon. Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three month extension in which to reply to the Final Office action dated April 11, 2001. A check in payment of the fee appropriate for a three month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

Responsive to the Office action, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

In the Claims

Please delete claims 12 and 15, and amend claims 1, 7-8, 13-14, 17, and 22-23 to read as shown bellow. An annex with marked up claims showing the changes made by the amendment is submitted herewith.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith: ☐ a Preliminary Amendment;
☒ a Reply to Office Action; ☐ a Supplemental Amendment; ☐
☐ a substitute Specification; ☐ a Declaration; ☐ a
Supplemental Declaration; ☐ a Power of Attorney; ☐ an
Associate Power of Attorney; ☐ formal drawings; to be filed
in the above-identified patent application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

☒ A fee for additional claims is not required.

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The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	-	*	=	X \$ 9	= \$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	-	**	=	X \$ 42	= \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+ \$140	= \$
					TOTAL \$ <u> </u>
* If less than 20, insert 20.					
** If less than 3, insert 3.					

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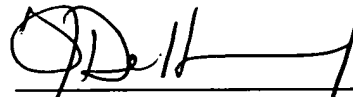
EXTENSION FEE

[X] The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith; [] \$55.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$200.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [X] \$460.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$720.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a); [] \$980.00 extension fee for response within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

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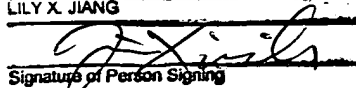


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